

HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE PRECINCT  
MEETING  
June 11, 2008

Present

Gary Kubik, Chairman & Commissioner  
Chuck Rage, Commissioner  
June White, Commissioner  
John Gebhart, Treasurer  
Rick Griffin, Selectman Representative

Chairman Kubik called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**Marketing**

John Kane, Marketing Director, discussed the sand sculpture event. The sand will be dropped in next Friday and the competition will be the following Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Fireworks start on that Saturday and will continue on Wednesdays after that. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July, which is a Friday, will have a special shoot and there will not be a fireworks display the preceding Wednesday.

Advertising starts this week. The sand sculpture event is getting bigger and getting a lot of free publicity. Articles have been in several newspapers showcasing the event.

Volunteers are still needed for the sand sculpture event. Interested persons should call the Chamber of Commerce or Greg Grady at 929-6301. Mr. Kane said he had talked to Rotary members and they have expressed an interest in helping.

Chairman Kubik said that the 926-SHOW hotline is up and running with the latest information on the fireworks.

**Beautification**

Linda Gebhart said the Beautification Committee has been very busy since the last Precinct meeting. The bridge dedication was held on Memorial Day. There are two plaques, one recognizing the bridge and one recognizing the Beautification Committee.

The Committee has planted lilac bushes near the fire house parking lot. Two lilac bushes and a butterfly bush were planted on 101. The wildflower meadow is beautiful and many compliments have been received.

### **Entertainment**

Jack Knox, Entertainment Coordinator, distributed the final calendar of events.

Mr. Knox said there was good news regarding Tops in Blue returning this season. Originally, Tops was scheduled for August 16<sup>th</sup> and would have required two nights of accommodations. Even though Unitil had offered to help with \$1,500, it would not have been enough to cover the accommodations. Therefore the decision was made to cancel the event. Mr. Knox said he spoke to LTC Bixler and she said if the event were held on August 17<sup>th</sup>, only one night of accommodations would be needed. Total amount of money needed would be \$2,875. Chairman Kubik and Doc Noel said they would lend some support to this. Efforts will be made to obtain the remaining \$1,375 from various businesses. Mr. Knox said it would also be possible to put Idol hotel runs towards Tops.

The performance will be similar to last year using the big video screens. We will know later what the musical theme is. There will be no drill team, but there will be the honor guard and presentation of colors. The awards presentation will be at the Tops performance at 7:00 p.m. before the show.

There will also be two other armed forces bands performing this season.

Mr. Knox said he had sent e-mails to all contracted entertainers confirming their dates and focusing on 30-minute breaks between sets (this allows people to patronize businesses in the area). Parking rules were also set out as well as rain protocol and procedure.

Mr. Knox said that on July 19<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with Children's Week, the Jessica Prouty Band will be performing. The band members are four teenagers and they just had a big CD release out of Boston.

Chairman Kubik said the Ambassadors will be returning on June 28<sup>th</sup>. Their duties will remain the same with the exception that they will have nothing to do with parking.

Chairman Kubik asked if all parking issues had been resolved. Mr. Knox said he believed they had, but he has not talked with Brian Warburton. Chairman Kubik said that the last he heard performers were not to arrive until 3:00 p.m. Mr. Knox said this could be a problem because one of the perks to the performers is to allow them time at the beach before the performance. Mr. Noel said that when he spoke to Mr. Warburton the arrival time was 3:00 p.m., but he felt that with extenuating circumstances, allowances could be made.

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Doc Noel said that beginning on June 18<sup>th</sup> the Chamber would be open from 9:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. seven days a week. The new phone system is in and will also give information on fireworks, etc.

### **Old Business**

There was no Old Business.

### **New Business**

Ms. White discussed the problem of the large drink trucks that park and give out free drinks. This is taking business away from the vendors on the beach. She said she felt they should be ticketed for this and checked for vendor licenses. Ms. White will speak to Chief Sullivan about this problem.

### **Public Comment**

Rich Reniere, 29 Highland Avenue, said he had attended a fishing derby where there was a taxidermy display of two bull moose with antlers locked together. Mr. Reniere said he felt this would be an interesting display for Children's Week and asked the Commissioners to contact the Department of Fish & game to see if this could be accomplished.

### **Minutes**

**Moved** by Mr. Rage, seconded by Ms. White, to approve the Minutes of May 14, 2008.

**Vote:** 3 yes, 0 no. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Rice  
Secretary